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1. About one thousand army truck chassis are assembled monthly in the buildings and in halls 6, 8, and 10 of Bleichert and Co. (SAG Transmasch). The trucks are of the ZIS and Gorki types. About four hundred of them are fitted with Riesa tires and equipped with cranes manufactured by the Bleichert Works No. 1, at Gohlis. The cars are all delivered to the Soviet Union. Work is carried on in three shifts in all the Bleichert shops. Each shift in the halls consists of about 150 skilled workmen.
2. The main plant, besides standard cranes of 26 meters radius, also makes swiveling overhead cranes, the costs of which are so closely calculated that they scarcely cover the material expense.
3. Since 26 January 1952, a new apparatus has been built at the Works No. 1, in Viktor-Adlerstrasse, Gohlis. It moves on caterpillar tracks and is called an "applepicker." Power is supplied by a Diesel engine. There is also an electric power unit that serves the auxiliary equipment. This consists of telescopic tubes that can be extended to a height of 50 meters. There are five tubes of 10 meters each. The bottom one has a diameter of three meters, and the others one meter. Numerous instruments are attached to the bottom tube. Workmen employed on this installation were warned against sabotage at a works meeting.
4. Spherical magnets are manufactured at Works No. 2, in Thierstrasse. The die-casting department and the main warehouse of the firm are also located here.

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